

ONE KILLED--52 INJURED

Bleachers Collapse During World's Series Game at Tulsa With Disastrous Result

WEAKENED STRUCTURE CRUMBLES LIKE KINDLING

BLEACHERS COLLAPSE AT BALL GAME; ONE MAN KILLED AND 52 INJURED

SEVEN HUNDRED PEOPLE AT SOUTH MAIN STREET BASEBALL PARK BURIED IN WRECKAGE—THOUSANDS WITNESS ACCIDENT.

UNITED STATES SOLDIER ONLY ONE TO DIE

TROOPS WERE MARCHING DIRECTLY UNDERNEATH THE STAND WHEN IT FELL—GOVERNOR CRUCE WAS ONE OF THE SPECTATORS.

ARTILLERY BAND PREVENTED A STAMPEDE

Soldier-Musicians Played Lively Airs to Keep Rest of the Crowd Seated—Structure Noiselessly Crumbled into Kindling Wood.

One man was killed and over fifty others injured when the right field bleachers collapsed at the South Main street baseball park Tuesday afternoon at 2:15 o'clock. Five hundred people, including many women and children, were buried in the wreckage, while a crowd of over 3,000 people, waiting to see the New York and Chicago baseball teams play an exhibition game, looked on breathlessly. Without a moment's warning the entire stand crumbled into thousands of pieces. Little noise was made by the collapse and it came so suddenly that not even a scream was heard. It was some minutes before the awfulness of the accident dawned upon the crowd. Several women fainted.

Company L, Ninth U. S. Infantry, of Fort Logan H. Root, Arkansas, was marching under the stand when it fell. Only one soldier was badly hurt. We was private Chester Taylor, aged 20. He was dug out of the wreckage and was the first to be sent to a hospital. He died two hours later without regaining consciousness.

Governor Lee Cruce, United States army officers, officials of the International Dry-Farming congress and many other notables witnessed the accident, as did players on both the baseball teams.

The United States Fourth Field Artillery band displayed good judgment by continuing to play in front of the main grandstand, and in this way an impending panic was prevented. There was a hasty scramble to leave the left field bleachers, but not a person left the main grandstand.

National guardsmen, police, United States troops and civilians removed pieces of timber from persons who had been pinned to the ground. Dozens of the injured were rushed to town in automobiles.

For some minutes many of the more slightly injured persons lay prostrate upon the ground, many of them covered with wounds and bleeding. Frantic mothers searched the wreckage for their children. One woman found her boy, with a bad cut

on his head, and was carried into all the way to town to a doctor's office.

Word of the accident reached the business district in a few minutes and ambulances, police patrols and doctors were soon on the ground. In the meantime the emergency medical cases of the baseball teams came in handy.

In less than thirty minutes after the stand fell the police and troops, headed by Mayor Frank Wooden and Sheriff Wm. McCullough, had stretched a line in front of the wrecked grandstand, and in this way the crowd was kept off the playing field.

Many of the men who were taken from the debris had broken limbs, while cuts and splinters of wood protruded from the flesh of several of them. Some of the injured managed to walk to street cars, and their names were not learned. The official list of injured collected on the ground and later at hospitals by the World shows that over forty people were hurt.

The wrecked stand was built of light pieces of lumber and had no roof. This prevented the death of a large number. The lumber in the structure was rotted and after the crash it was nothing but kindling wood. The stand was built over four years ago and had never been remodelled or repaired. The main grandstand roof has been badly damaged by wind several times and has occasionally been repaired.

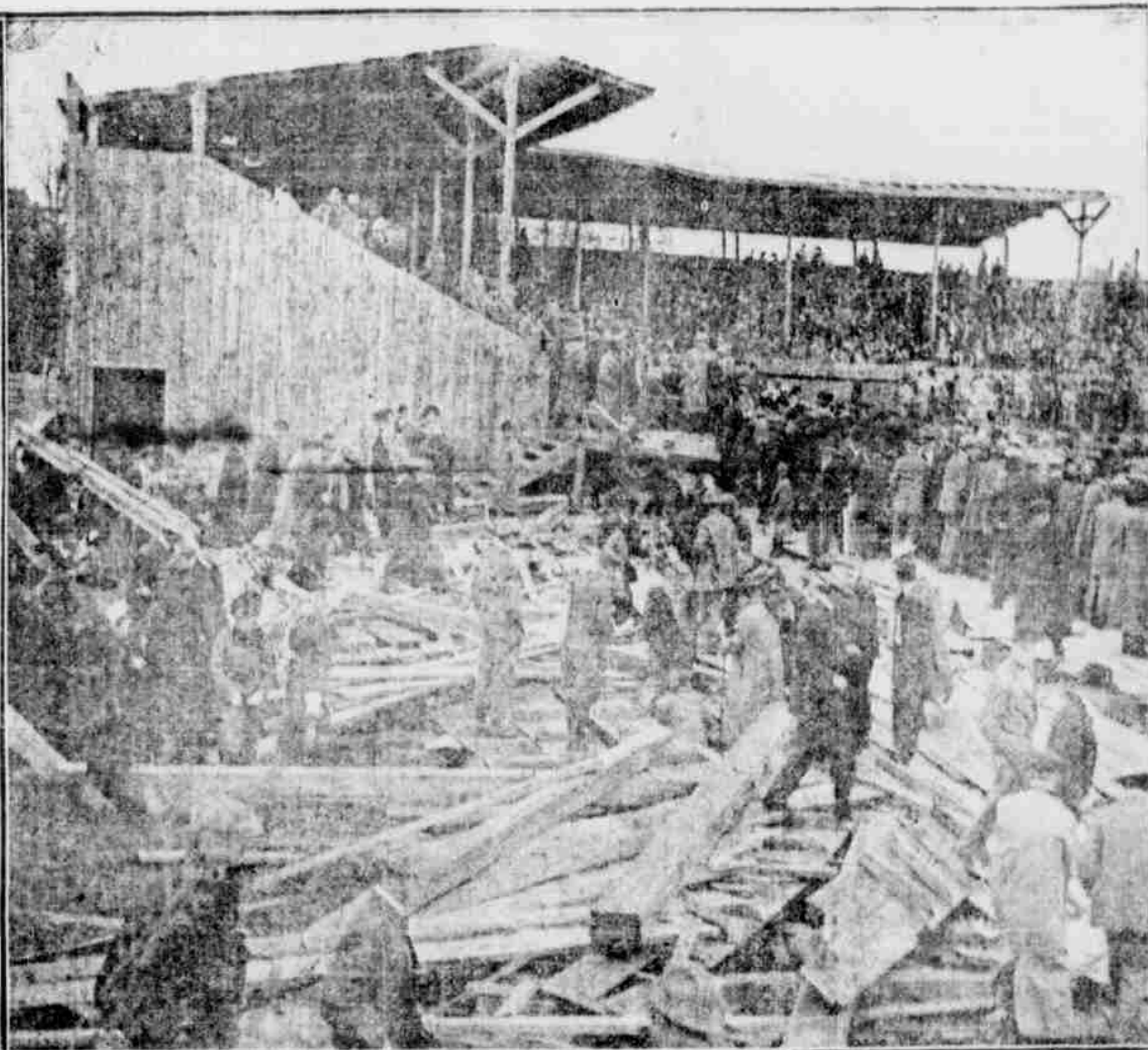
People who occupied boxes at the front of the bleachers leaped to safety and as it was only two feet to the ground none of them were badly hurt. One man was found with a nail driven through his nose.

The ball game started at 2:45 o'clock and the majority of the people on the grounds stayed to see it.

The game was staged here under the auspices of A. R. Reese, Tulsa oil magnate. The gate receipts showed that 4,750 people attended the game. William Setley of this city made the original contract for the game and secured permission from the Tulsa Street Railway company to use the park. The latter concern is sole owner of the park.

Mr. Reese had no statement to make.

Rescuing Injured from the Debris of Bleachers Which Collapsed at Baseball Park Yesterday



The crash of the falling stand that brought death to one and injuries to scores had hardly died away yesterday before The World staff photographer was on the scene with his camera and sketched the above view, showing rescue workers hunting for victims in the debris of the bleachers.

last night for obvious reasons. No one has made an attempt yet to fix any blame on the accident. The park is located just outside the city limits. People from surrounding towns were in attendance at the game in large numbers, having come on special trains for the occasion, and this accounts for the large number of out-of-town people who were among the injured.

Dr. Fred S. Clinton, of the Tulsa hospital, where twenty of the injured were taken, stated last night that he did not expect any of his patients to die although the condition of several of them was serious.

Two of those injured were linotype operators employed on local newspapers, Dana E. Booth and Louis Marston. Booth is hurt internally and the true nature of his condition will not be known until today.

At least two aged women were bruised and cut in the accident, but they left the grounds unassisted, before their names could be learned.

The most seriously injured are W. A. Sharp, editor of the Tulsa county court, R. E. Knuck and C. A. Edelman.

Deport Three Americans.
NOBLES, Ala., Oct. 28.—John Brent, Frank Smith and Ames Landro, American citizens, were deported from Sonora today by constitutional officials because of their alleged association with the bandit Rafael Campes. They had been in jail at Hermosillo for six months. The state officials said the lives of the three men were spared solely because of their American citizenship.

Quite So.
"It's a pity we can't get rid of all bad-mannered people."
"True, but the boot we have always with us."

WALTER JOHNSON REIGNED SUPREME

BEST PITCHER IN THE WORLD DEFEATED CHRISTY MATH. TAYLOR—A SHUT OUT.

WHITE SOX WON 6 TO 0

Great Crowd of Fans Watched the Contest—Matty Knocked Out of Box in Fifth.

Walter Johnson, considered by experts to be the best pitcher in the world, came down to Tulsa yesterday from his home in Coffeyville, Kan., and offered his services gratis to the Chicago White Sox, just to get a chance to pitch against the master thrower of the National league, Christy Mathewson. Five thousand fans journeyed out to the South Main street park to see this duel of pitchers, and incidentally to see the National league champions, McGraw's Giants, in action against Jimmie Cavanaugh's White Sox.

Right well was the crowd rewarded. The Washington star outpitched his older opponent and won the game, 6 to 0. Johnson's terrific speed, his fast-breaking curves and his deceptive drop ball, fooled the swatters who fought their way to the championship.

Mathewson did not fare so well and

he retired after the fourth inning in favor of White. Two sharp doubles to the bases followed by a single in the fourth inning proved the undoing of Matt and the Sox scampers across the plate.

Sorrowed by the sad accident that preceded the game, and chilled by a north wind that threatened to break into snow at any minute, the crowd greeted the big league favorites with enthusiasm, but did not give the cheering welcome they would have accorded under more auspicious circumstances.

When Captain Klein announced the batteries as Mathewson and Meyers and Johnson and Schalk a great roar of approval went up from the stands. Captain Klein announced each player as he came to the bat and all were received with cheers the greatest applause going to Jim Thorpe, the Oklahoma Indian athlete. Chief Meyers, the Indian backstop of the Giants; Tris Speaker, class outfielder of the Boston Red Sox, and that idol of all fans, "Matty."

Governor Lee Cruce, accompanied by his daughter, Miss Lorena Cruce, and his staff, occupied one of the boxes, while officials of the International Dry-Farming congress occupied other boxes.

Back Weaver, shortstop of the Sox, fed in scintling the ball, by getting two doubles and three singles in five times at the bat. "Walton" Sam Crawford, the slinger of the Detroit Tigers, got two doubles and a single and Tris Speaker got a double and two singles.

Six fast double plays killed off as many batting rallies, each team getting three of the doubles. Johnson made eight of the Giants fan the air and only walked one.

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LIST OF DEAD AND INJURED.

The Dead:
CHESTER TAYLOR, Age 20, private Co. L, 9th U. S. Infantry, Fort Logan H. Root, Arkansas; died at hospital.

The injured:
A. G. MAYO, Caney, Kas.; ankle sprained, knee wrenched.
W. H. WEST, Sapulpa, Okla.; broken ankle.
R. E. BANKS, 420 South Main street, Tulsa; broken leg, internal injuries.

J. S. SNYDER, Avant, Okla.; left leg smashed.
E. H. CARVER, Barnett, Okla.; eye injured.
C. H. CARVER, Nowata, Okla.; sprained legs, injured side.
C. W. CARLIN, Jenks, Okla.; bruised ankle and leg.
CLYDE C. BROWN, age 24, Chelsea; chest injured.
ADOLPH HAAK, Morrison, Okla.; fractured hip, other injuries.

SOLOMON DUGGER, south of Orcutt Lake, Tulsa; face and leg injured.
C. A. GREENLEE, Lawrence, Kas.; both ankles broken.
W. J. GHORNLEY, Broken Arrow, Okla.; left ankle fractured, leg hurt.

J. E. TAYLOR, Collinsville, Okla.; extent of injuries unknown.
W. B. HICKEY, age 52, Sapulpa; right foot broken, back badly wrenched.

B. F. BAXENDALE, age 35, Sapulpa, Okla.; sprained hip and body bruises.
FRANK TAYLOR, age 16, Kiefer, Okla.; ankle injured.
LESTER JASTROW, Bartlesville, Okla.; spine injured; serious.

A. R. MORRISON, age 27, 12 West Easton street, Tulsa; wrenched back.
FRANCES McDONALD, age 21, 1740 South Boulder, Tulsa; back injured.

GEORGE VATCHER, age 24, Boston, Mass.; hip injured and rib broken.
F. A. ECKELBERG, age 30, 809 South Detroit avenue, Tulsa; back broken.

ANDY MADDEN, 523 North Boulder, Tulsa; nose broken and head hurt.
DR. R. S. LYNN, Tulsa; injured about head.

GALE WADE, 703 South Boulder, Tulsa; badly bruised.
D. C. MILLER, Tulsa; compound fracture of left leg.
JAMES A. MCCOY of Tulsa; fractured ankle.

EMMETT SMILEY, 616 South Detroit avenue, Tulsa; ankle sprained.
A. McDONALD, 1740 South Boulder avenue, Tulsa; rib broken and feet sprained.

A. WADE, 703 South Boulder avenue, Tulsa; sprained ankle.
W. D. STEELE, Monett, Mo., traveling claim agent Frisco railroad; right arm broken.

J. H. SMEDLEY, Enid, Okla., claim agent Frisco railroad; both legs badly cut; injured knees.
W. A. SHARP, age 40, 1412 South Denver, Tulsa; fractured ankle, leg broken.

I. O. LAMON, Dacula, Okla.; head cut, body bruised.
MARVIN HAMILTON, Dewey, Okla.; head and face gashed.

COOPER HENDERSON, Tulsa; right leg bruised.
ARTHUR HENDRON, Tulsa; ankle and leg sprained.
JOHN WALSH, boy, 916 North Denver; both legs cut.

L. R. MARSTON, Linotype Operator, Oil and Gas Journal, Tulsa; seriously injured.
J. K. CASS, 913 South Jackson street, Tulsa; rib broken.

EARLY CASS, son of former; face badly cut.
JAMES KENNEDY, Sixth and Osage, Tulsa; knees cut and sprained.

W. P. WOOLRIDGE, Tulsa; broken leg.
D. HOOKER, Tulsa; back sprained and legs hurt.
H. M. FENDER, Council Hill, Okla.; shoulder and right side hurt.

H. S. DRULLINGER, 32 South Xyanthus, Tulsa; face and hands lacerated, leg injured.
RAYMOND HOAGLAND, Tulsa; bruises and cuts.

DANA E. BOOTH, Tulsa Linotype Operator; serious internal injuries.
EUGENE BOOTH, age 12, son of former; back wrenched, badly cut and bruised.

C. W. BLISS, 504 South Boston, Tulsa; body bruised and ankle sprained.
BOB MAYO, employee Gulf Pipe Line Co., Tulsa; bruises.

JOHN ROBINSON, employee Gulf Pipe Line Co. Tulsa; sprains and cuts.
BILLY WEST, Gulf Pipe Line Co., Tulsa; ankle sprained, bruised.